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REMARKS

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1. Between 21 May and 7 June 1954, the Artillerie Kaserne (5441) in Perleberg was occupied by a guard detail of about 50 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Twenty soldiers of this detail were daily detached for guard duty at the Spiegelhagen ammunition depot. Colonel Bragin returned to the USSR because of sickness. Lieutenant Colonel Malazan succeeded supply officer Lieutenant Colonel Kuznetsov who had been transferred in late April 1954. Between 21 May and 7 June, the signal detail of about 22 soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets was stationed in the installation as previously. A truck occupied by soldiers of this detail almost daily left for the vicinity of Perleberg, where the soldiers replaced old telephone poles.¹
2. Between 21 May and 7 June, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Perleberg, 25X1 was occupied by the two units of Lieutenant Colonel Ampilov and Major Volkov. Melnikov, the supply officer of Unit Ampilov had the rank of captain, not lieutenant colonel, as was previously reported. Supply officer of Unit Volkov was Captain Shumelkov. Lieutenant Colonel Ampilov allegedly was commanding officer of a mortar unit. General Kozikov, chief of staff Lieutenant Colonel Okulov, Lieutenant Colonel Vasiliyev, Major Patenko and Zachko and Captain Polechuk were at Camp Schweinrich. Lieutenant Colonel Okulov had allegedly been at Wustrow after about 27 May and allegedly was to return to the camp on 9 June.²
3. A repair order for telephone equipment indicated one Chirneshenko was presumably the commanding officer of a unit. The supply officer of this unit was Captain Polechuk who wore black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia.
4. The two three-story brick buildings for dependents which were under construction in Fliegerhorst Kaserne were scheduled to be completed about mid-August.
1. Comment. The Artillery Kaserne is occupied as previously. Lieutenant 25X1 Colonel Malazan (fnu) ist reported for the first time. The presence in the installation of a small signal unit is known. This unit presumably is a signal operations detail in charge of the trunk lines of the Third Shock Army in the Perleberg area.

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2. Comment. Lieutenant Colonel Ampilov and Chirneshenko are reported as commanding officers for the first time. According to available information, Captain Melnikov is supply officer of the 592d Mort Regt (US) of the 18th Mech Div. Lieutenant Colonel Ampilov may not be the commanding officer of the 592d Mort Regt, since that unit is now stationed at the Wittstock training grounds. Chirneshenko, whose rank is unknown, is presumably commanding officer of the 921st Sig Bn (US) of the division. Lieutenant Colonel Okulov (fnu) and units of the 2511th AAA Regt (US) of the division was possibly at Wustrow in late May and early June.

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